

Interview Summary

Application No.
09/207,188

Applicant(s)

Blake et al.

Examiner

S. Devi, Ph.D.

Group Art Unit

1645



All participants (applicant, applicant's representative, PTO personnel):

(1) S. Devi (PTO)

(3) Darryl Steensma

(2) Ken Sonnenfeld

(4) Lynette Smith

Date of Interview May 17, 2001

Type: a) ☒ Telephonic

b) ☐ Video Conference

c) ☐ Personal [copy is given to 1) ☐ applicant 2) ☐ applicant's representative]

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) ☐ Yes e) ☒ No. If yes, brief description:

Claim(s) discussed: All of record.

Identification of prior art discussed:

Agreement with respect to the claims f) ☐ was reached. g) ☐ was not reached. h) ☒ N/A.

Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments:

Mr. Sonnenfeld stated that the parent case was allowed with the language "about 3" in the claim. He stated that Reimer et al. was applied in the parent case under 35 USC 102 and was later withdrawn by the previous Examiner. He stated that it was improper to object to the same claim language in a Divisional application. He was told that each case is prosecuted on its own merits. He was assured that the parent case would be ordered for a review of the prosecution by the time he files his response and that the issue would be discussed with other officials in the Office if needed. Mr. Sonnenfeld stated that he would file a response to the Office Action.

(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable, if available, must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments that would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

i) ☐ It is not necessary for applicant to provide a separate record of the substance of the interview (if box is checked).

Unless the paragraph above has been checked, THE FORMAL WRITTEN REPLY TO THE LAST OFFICE ACTION MUST INCLUDE THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW. (See MPEP section 713.04). If a reply to the last Office action has already been filed, APPLICANT IS GIVEN ONE MONTH FROM THIS INTERVIEW DATE TO FILE A STATEMENT OF THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW. See Summary of Record of Interview requirements on reverse side or on attached

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17 May 01

Examiner Note: You must sign this form unless it is an Attachment to a signed Office action.